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- 1. IF ANCHOVY FISHING WOULD BEGIN IN NOVEMBER, TOTAL CATCH FOR CY77 COULD TOTAL 1.5 MILLION METRIC TONS. BASED ON THIS, MEAL AND OIL OUTPUT WOULD BE APPROXIMATELY 350,000 AND 45,000 TONS, RESPECTIVELY. MEAL EXPORTS WOULD NOT BE MORE THAN 300,000 TONS. TO DATE, MEAL EXPORTS TOTAL 270,000 TONS. NO FISH OIL EXPORTS EXPECTED CY 77.
- 2. AN EUREKA IS SHCEDULED FOR AUGUST 9-11. MAIN SPAWNING SEASON JULY-SEPT.
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- 3. HOWEVER, SEA INSTITUTE REPORTS FOLLOWING: ANCHOVY POPULATION MAY NOW BE ONLY 4 MILLION TONS, COMPARED WITH 15 TO 20 MILLION DURING 1960'S. CURRENTLY, SEA AND WEATHER CONDITIONS UNFAVORABLE FOR FISHING AND THERE APPEARS TO BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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A SHORTAGE OF PLANKTON. INSTITUTE RECOMMENDS NO FISHING DURING REMAINDER CY77 IN ORDER FOR ANCHOVY POPULATION TO RECOUP.

4. CONSENSUS OPINION OTHER SOURCES INFO BELIEVE THAT THERE WILL BE NO FISHING REMAINDER FY77.

5. AG/ATT WILL REPORT ANY NEW DEVELOPMENTS AS THEY OCCUR. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. SHLAUDEMAN

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